

The Cota House
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THE COTA HOUSE
Prado, Riverside County, Calif.

Owner: Inez Mayberry, 2138 Telegraph Road, Whittier, Calif.

Date of Erection: 1840

Architect:

Builder:

Present condition: Abandoned and much ruined.

Number of stories: Two.

Materials of construction: Stone foundation laid in adobe mortar. Walls of sun dried adobe brick plastered both sides and white washed, wood floors laid upon the soil, wood framed second floor and roof. A few wood shakes and strips of galvanized iron still remain on the roof. Wood trim of exterior was white washed.

Other existing records: History of San Diego by William C. Smythe regarding Juan Bandini p. 164-167. Romance and History of California Ranchos by Myrtle Garrison, 1935 p. 59

Additional data: The house was erected by Don Juan Bandini, a prominent citizen and large property holder of San Diego.

In 1843 Bernardo Yorba bought the house and a league of land around it for his daughter Rafaela who married Leonardo Cota. By the name of Cota the house has since been known.


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